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Amendments to the Specification:

I. Please make changes to the following paragraphs as follows:

[0025] Fig. 2 is a diagrammatic illustration of multiple (e.g., four) microelectrical mechanical system (MEMS) optical raster display systems 10A-10D that have reflective surfaces 12A-12D on MEMS devices 14A-14D, respectively. Illumination light 16A-16D from light sources 18A-18D is directed toward reflective surfaces 12A-12D, respectively. MEMS devices 14A-14D pivot or oscillate reflective surfaces 10A-10D 12A-12D in respective transverse directions 20A-20D and 22A-22D to reflect illumination light 16A-14D 16A-16D toward display screen regions 24A-24D, respectively. The pivoting or oscillation in transverse directions 20 and 22 cooperate to direct light source 18 across display screen 26 in multiple raster scan patterns 28A-28D.

[0026] Modulation of light sources 18A-18D in coordination with the raster scanning of illumination lights 14A-14D 16A-16D allows four 50x50 pixel raster scan patterns 26A-26D 28A-28D to be imparted on display screen 24 26. The raster-scanned image components are abutted or contiguous to provide a larger display (e.g., 200x200 pixels) than could be provided by a comparable MEMS raster display system 10 alone, as shown in Fig. 1.

[0027] Fig. 3 is a diagrammatic illustration of a Raster Arrays of MEMS Optical Display Systems (RAMODS) implementation in which a microelectrical mechanical system (MEMS) raster display system 50 has a reflective surface 52 on a MEMS device 54. Multiple illumination lights 56A-56D from light sources 58A-58D are directed toward reflective surfaces 52. MEMS device 54 pivots, tilts, or oscillates reflective surfaces 52 in two transverse directions 60 and 62 to reflect illumination lights 56A-54D 56A-56D toward display screen regions 64A-64D, respectively. The pivoting or oscillation in transverse directions 60 and 62 cooperate to direct illumination lights 56A-56D across display screen 66 in raster scan patterns 68A-68D.

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[0028] Modulation of light sources 58A-58D in coordination with the raster scanning of illumination lights 54A-54D 56A-56D allows four 50x50 pixel raster scan patterns 68A-68D to be rendered on display screen 68 66. The raster-scanned image components are abutted to or contiguous with each other to provide a larger display (e.g., 100x100 pixels) than could be provided by a comparable MEMS raster display system 10 employing only one light beam 16 (Fig. 1).

[0031] Modulation of light sources 58A1-58A4 and 58B1-58B4 in coordination with the raster scanning of illumination lights 56A1-56A4 and 56B1-56B4 allows eight 50x50 pixel raster scan patterns 68A1-68A4 and 68B1-68B4to be rendered on display screen 66. The raster-scanned image components are displayed contiguously to provide a larger display (e.g., 100x200 100 x 100 pixels) than could be provided by a comparable MEMS raster display system 50 alone (Fig. 3).

[0032] It will be appreciated that arbitrary numbers of MEMS raster display systems 10 and 50 can be used together to form display images from arbitrary numbers raster scan patterns 28 26 and 68. Likewise, the number of illumination lights 56 light sources 58 that can be directed to a reflective surface 52 of MEMS raster display system 50 is also arbitrary within practical limits.